Amendments to the specification:

Page 1, third paragraph:

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Therefore, several web-based personal information management systems have been established to provide the remote storage and database of personal information, that are accessible through the Internet, such as addresses, calendars, and contacts. Such systems are, for instance, www.ecode.com, www.backup.com, and www.backup.com. The eCode provides the personal information in electronic card format. Further, there are many existing online telephone directory services in various formats, such as "yellow pages" or "white pages." With the establishment of remote storage and databases of personal information management, the accompanying technology of accessing such databases has been gradually developed. For instance, the Contact Networks, Inc. has several pending patent applications, e.g., WO 00/67105, WO 00/67106, WO 00/67108, WO 00/67416.

Page 7, first eight lines:



server 11. The master server may coordinate the propagation of data synchronization of any updates between the slave servers. The master server may contain a global card exchange center, and all of the updates or data of the slave servers may be transmitted to the master server for passing on to another or other desired slave services for synchronization of these updates therewith. When a user conducts a search at a slave server, the search will not <u>be</u> only performed by the local search engine of the particular slave server, but also be passed onto the master card search engine. These particular features are discussed in the co-pending application of the same assignee.